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stimated, 1912—10.000.

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Sovember 20, 1911, show increases a cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue Bluer Spitzenberg apples won sweep-stakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1902, and a car of Newtowns won First Prize in 1910 at Canadian International Apple Show,

52 KIDDIES HAVE

ing so many kiddles to see the ele- the retailer's shop. phant. He invited three or four in take them out. When he reached apple growers, that most of the eco- to regard fruit as an element. the grounds however he spotted three nomic tils they suffer from are of In an instant he spotted others and man as we know him here, are quite weighty words as to the need of leviate the intense heat and light re- el for other states. Under them any finally when he had rounded 'em all easily remediable. Now we don't go forcing a market by means of ad-fleeted from the pavements. up he had to purchase 52 tickets.

Through courtesy of the management Brown was able to get his vantages under which they suffer in farmer, though faced with the houses. This spirit is commendable, in uneration, and who are empowered world's commendable, in the parkings in front of their citizens who shall serve without remainder the sent them world's commendable, in the parkings in front of their citizens who shall serve without remainder the sent them world's commendable, in the parkings in front of their citizens who shall serve without remainder the sent them world's commendable, in the parkings in front of their citizens who shall serve without remainder the sent them world's commendable, in the parkings in front of their citizens who shall serve without remainder the sent them world's commendable. all in a block. In the center sat tend that there is seldom any rea-Brown, the biggest kid in the bunch.

DAY DOLLAND OVED NAT DUUNU UYLN

J. A. Ray who passed a number of worthless checks on local merchants Saturday afternoon was given How true again is all that is said tice's court Tuesday and bound over to await action by the grand jury. tice generally regarded as having no The hearing was short Ray having merit when extended beyond the cono defense to offer.

Another cheek passed by Ray showed up today. It was passed on for cooperation among growers have the Ewing gun store.

VETERANS GET PAY FOR HORSES FURNISHED

session of the legislature \$50,000 permits of our reproducing, will sate of the supreme court, and will probwas appropriated to meet the bills, igfy the reader that ecoperation can ably go into effect May 1. and Adjutant General Finzer is pre- be made the means of obtaining paring to disburse the money when- many benefits for fruit growers ever he can find that a legitimate which can be derived from no other

cluded to pay its bills.

ne of the animal would be paid in upon a retailer's profits, the prime the people of Medford are paying as the event of loss up to \$100. An cost of a low-priced article such as high prices for meat as the people of allowance of \$2 a day for rations for fruit will remain but one factor and Portland are. the soldiers also was made,

FAIR AS THE GARDEN OF THE LORD.

S IXTY-FIVE thousand acres of commercial orchards in full bloom are spilling their fragrance on the soft spring air in the Rogue river valley this bright April day of the year nineteen thirteen. For once all varieties of fruit trees are in bloom at the same time-a rare occurence, due nineteen hundred thirteen? GEORGE PUTNAM, Editor and Manager to the cold backward season followed by warm weather.

From foothill slope and floor of the valley, from green man's home was a hovel, built in expanse of grain fields to verdure clad and rock ribbed awkward rows, in unlighted, sewer- victs were sold to work on colonial mountain, nearly five million trees are wearing bridal hues before the door, scattering fever and period and sometimes for tire. The of pink and white. Almonds, peaches, plums, half a dozen plague. Father earned \$1.50 a week | remains of criminals were left hangvarieties of pears and a score of varieties of apples riot in a Mother was a beast of burden, too. ing in rows to rot; grinning shulls very wilderness of blossoms and spice the air with fairy Children eight years old worked 16 of executed offenders lined the top perfumes—a month's season of bloom compressed into a hours per day. A little meat was a of remple har, and the London few fleeting days.

There are few more beautiful sights than the Rogue river valley in spring, with its carpet of many colors, of samed six times the amount of He- A hundred years ago Europe wa varied greens streaked with yellow, purple and white, its drinking were well nigh universal, wild speculation. Our 20th century, myriad wild flowers, its black fields of newly plowed land, saloons offered people a fair drunk get-rich-quick methods are child's its jagged skyline of verdure clad and purple shadowed for a penny, a dead drunk for two- play compared with the wildcat in

A thousand tiny throats are warbling the joyousness of which to sober up on threepence. life, meadow larks are whistling their wild melody, the of cities were so unsafe that even the trish coast, and stock in it was drowsy hum of the insect world lulls the senses as the the greatest had no security from above par before one wreck had been golden sunlight showers the earth on a land "fair as the thieves. King George III lost his garden of the Lord."

Fruit Trade Problems

From the leading English horticul- gard to fixing the selling price. published in London.)

copious extracts from an elaborate position is well illustrated by the vancement. prompted to set these deductions be- country as across the Atlantic. Man- sermons-dry as dust. The public fore our readers, firstly, because the bracturers of proprietary articles whole paper forms certainly the have frequently to take measures to most comprehensive as also one of protect themselves against the cut-GLORIOUS TIME the most closely reasoned discourses ting instincts of retailers engaged in the subject that has ever come keen competitive business. The idea under our notice. Secondly, because of the shopkeeper holding up prices there is much, in spite of the fact in restriction of trade is a bogey. An

ment Brown was able to get his power to remedy the economic disadare also at one with the lecturer in most of what he says about coopereconomics and other advantages be shows himself fully alive to the weak from being the universal panacea it about cooperation being a word often operator and his immediate interests.

What would the staunch advocates to say, we wonder, if market men sinking all trade rivalry and perty jealousies, if such were possible, be, and how the air would ring with cries of "trusts," "rings," "combines," etc. Cooperation would then present itself to them as one of the If you furnished a horse for the machinations of the evil one. Never-

source. Before the Indian wars of 1855-6 We heartily indorse all that is were finished, the legislature author- said about the middleman being a To the Editor: ixed by statute payment of the necessary, and an economic factor in claims. Every session since that the fruit trade. Whether there be editorially on the fact that the local cut them down without permit. And time has been held without providing cooperation or no cooperation, a buyers here are paying from three yet trees planted in the parking are the funds with which to make pay- middleman whose services must be to four cents less for pork on foot the property of the city no less than ment, until the last meeting of the paid for, is a necessity in getting than it is worth in the Portland stock the park trees, no matter who has legislature. When the claims were fruit from the plantations to the con- yards and advise the farmers to or- put them there. nearly 60 years old, after many of sumer. What is said about abnormal ganize to resist such imposition, very If this is so, even if it is necessary the men who could have made profits is particularly appropriate claims had died, and after it has be- just now when so many complaints present situation. If every farmer authority to control our highways, Store, come extraordinarily difficult to are rife as to the wide margin be- in the valley would hold from selling the sooner we start things moving in present accurate evidence of what tween the price fruit is sold to the for two or three weeks you would see that direction the sooner we will was furnished, the state has con- public and the price returned to these people tumbling over each other avert doing irreparable damage to the grower. It is deplorable that to get a chance to pay honest prices The act providing for payment there should be such a divergence, and this holdup should be met in this said that \$2 a day for use of the but, while rates and taxes and rent way for it is not in the interest of the horse would be allowed, and the val- form such a burdensome charge consumer and I venture to say that

by no means the principal one in re-

may be or was his grandfather before him.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO OPEN INDEPENDENT OFFICES

PORTLAND, Ore., April 15 .- John M. Scott, general passenger agent for the Southern Pacific ticket offices in Scattle and Tacoma.

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Stop Your Whining

(By Byron H. Stauffer in San Francisco Examiner.)

there a better year than this of grace

A hundred years ago the working, continent of America, squire's family.

A hundred years ago England con- worst in Europe,

London street.

A hundred years ago sports were vicious, Bull fighting, prize fighting. ness and profaulty characterizing the tion. tural journal, "The Fruit, Flower If a retail fruiterer had apply performance. Our enthusiastic base- formed to melt down sawdust chips. and Vegetable Trades' Journal," given to him he could not afford to ball matches, under perfect control retall them at 1d per pound under and patronized by the best people, out one flaw or crack. But perhaps We publish elsewhere in this issue present day methods of taxation. The are eloquent testimonials of our au- the summit was reached when a com-

address on some economic aspects of contrast the lecturer draws between A hundred years ago a Bible in an which in due time was to be re the fruit trade, delivered by the man- the fruitgrower and manufacturers English workingman's home was a vealed" sold 2000 shares of stock at ager of the Northwestern Fruit Ex- of proprietary articles, and his re- curiosity. Books were nearly all ob- two guineas each before noon on the change. Portland. Ore. We are marks apply with equal force in this scene, excepting a few volumes of first subscription day.

school was in its infancy. The news paper paid a tax of 8 cents per copy With all our whining, when was and a daily paper cost \$50 a year. Only 40,000 copies of newspapers were printed per week on the entire

A hundred years ago English conless streets. Heaps of garbage were plantations, sometimes for a limited hours per day. A little meat was a of Temple Bar. Men and women streets. Prisons in England were the

pence, a dead drunk with straw on vestments of the years following the South Sea bubble. A company wa raised. Another company, well cap purse, watch and buckles on a dark italized, expected to make sait water fresh. Another proposed to extract silver from lead and iron from coal.

cock fighting and bear baiting were was made by speculators organizing Mechanic. Prices Right. Satisfacthe chief amusements with drunken- a company to discover perpetual mo-Another corporation was "casting them into real boards, with pany organized "for an undertaking

Forest Supervisor Discusses Planting of Shade Trees

Fifty-two youngsters who had only that the conditions away in Oregon Isolated case denoting sheer cussed- graph in your editorial of April 2 experts appointed to the position is remote hopes of seeing the circus must of necessity vary considerably ness may be met with now and then, almost exactly voices the sentiments now being done haphagard according Monday, and then only through some from the conditions prevailing in but it is no serious factor in the I have held and often expressed to to the personal and variable whim of convenient peephole in the canvas this country, which exactly coincides situation. The retailers' prices are friends. That a city with street trees individuals. The result is that we had their fondest wishes come true with the views we hold and have put high because his expenses are exces- is more attractive than one without are making the mistakes that nearly by finding a friend in E. G. Brown. forward in these pages when dissive, and in this direction every needs no argument, nor should it all cities in the country except Incidentally Brown had the time of cussing the troubles and anomalies branch of the trade might well act need but a moment's thought to con- Washington have made, and are besetting the trade right through in unison seeking for means of re- vince one that an attractive city will powerless to profit by their expe-Mr. Brown had little idea of tak- from the orchards and nurse, les to form, sure of the support of the bring a desirable population which rience, their failures and lessons. great British public which is pre- otherwise might be turned away, simply because of want of knowledge The lecturer starts out by telling pared to sacrifice much for the sake That a systematic planting and tend- and lack of concerted action. his neighborhood and arranged to his hearers, who would mainly be of cheap food, in which it has come ing of street trees would be a good. Acts have been passed in several investment for the city considered of the eastern states to alleviate just We further ask our good friends solely on a money basis cannot be such a condition. The New Jersey or four more looking forlorn and their own making, while such as are among growers to read, mark and doubted. During the heat of sumattributable to the jobber, or sales- mentally digest the lecturer's mer we especially need trees to al- sive, and have been taken as a mod-

> quite so far as to suggest that grow. Vertisement. What has come to be In the last few years many public option adopt the system as outlined ers in this country have it in their recognized as the main driving force spirited persons have planted trees It provides for a commission of three in present day commerce, the fruit in the parkings in front of their citizens who shall serve without re certain directions, but we do con- world's competition, generally thinks but the result can never be entirely to pass ordinances for the planting fit to ignore. True there are other satisfactory. Undesirable species care and protection of trees planted sonable cause for them to quarrel matters wanting adjustment first, have been planted, the spacing has on the highways or parks. Before with the manner in which their pro- such as organizing sales under a not been uniform and in nearly every contemplated action is done on any duce is handled by the agent to brand before any direct advantages case the trees have been planted too street the commission advertises its could be reaped by a fruit farmer close together for their proper defrom advertising on anything like a velopment. No uniformity in spelarge scale. In the meantime, how- cles is maintained, and when once ation, for while he upholds coopera- ever, fruit farmers will do well to planted, with few exceptions, no furtion as a means for working many remember that the salesman who ther care is taken of the trees. Mis- are planted, protected by guards shows himself alive to the sweet uses tietoe is unchecked, pruning of large sprayed, pruned, watered regularly of advertisement is far more likely branches is unakilfully performed and replaced when dead by new in points which render cooperation far to command an outlet for his pro- and trees allowed to branch close to dividuals. The same care is taken duce entrusted to him for sale, than the ground. Blanks are left in front the man who waits for custom to of vacant lots, and no adequate procome to him, however respectable he vision for spraying is provided.

This is the inevitable result when the responsibility is placed on several hundred individuals working without cooperation, very few of whom have any knowledge of the by spraying. requirements or habits of the trees they are handling.

A few years ago f, by request spoke on the subject of street tree for the Southern Pacific will leave planting to the Greater Medford club sought to cooperate among them- for Puget Sound in a few days to and at that time strongly urged that selves? What an outcry there would select locations and appoint agents if possible the work should be done by the city. It was the opinion of the city attorney, who was present, that a city forester or street tree At present the Southern Pacific commission could under the laws and business in both cities is hundled by our charter have only an advisory volunteer soldiers who fought the theless, in spite of its limitations and the O. W. R. & N. company's agents. position, and that they or the coun-Indians in 1855-6. Oregon is ready to possibilities of misuse, a careful The change is made necessary by the cil would have no authority to pass pay the bill for service rendered or perusal of this most entertaining pa- recent dissolution of the Harriman ordinances or regulations for the for loss of the suimal. At the last per, or so much of it as our space lines in accordance with the decision planting or preservation of trees

planted in the parkings. It is regrettable if the city can plant and control its trees in the park and yet has no jurisdiction over its parkings. No one would think of posting sign boards on the park trees, and yet it would seem one can with impunity allow horses to gnaw In Thursday's paper you comment the bark from street trees or even

good advice, but it will not meet the to obtain legislation for the needed

John A. Perl Undertaker

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city or incorporated town may at its cified time and invites residents of the streets affected to offer any obof trees in front of an unoccupied lot belonging to a non-resident as of a tree in front of the home of resident, since the street is considered as a unit. This can not be lef satisfactorily to the individual, no can the control of disease or pests

The work is done by the city and the cost, which is slight, is assessed in the taxes against the abutting property. In other words, the improvements are managed in the same way as any other street improvement such as paving, sewer or water main.

This is the only rational way o solving our street tree problem, and until it is done we will go on blundering as we are doing now, and as hundreds of other cities have done before us, to discover our mistakes several years hence when but little can be done to rectify them.

I could write much more on this subject enlarging on some of the ar guments I have presented, and offer ing others, for this is a subject in which I am deeply interested. This is enough, however, to express the hope that measures will be initiated to put the business of street tree planting and care where it belongs under the control of a commission or commissioner. Very truly yours H. D. FOSTER.

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